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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2002 for which the three-month date for response is January 7, 2002. A one-month petition for extension of time is filed and requested herewith.

In the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0048] with the following new paragraph [0048].

[0048] Referring to the drawings, and particularly to Figure 1, a preferred embodiment 10 has a distal portion of a plate haptic 12 with protuberances 14 thereon. The sectional view of Figure 2 shows the configuration of the protuberances which extend from both sides of haptic 12. A protuberance may extend from only one side or surface of the haptic. The protuberances will not pass or slide through a fibrosis tunnel or pocket disposed about proximally adjacent smaller dimensioned portions of the haptic. The haptics have a thinner portion 15,16 adjacent to the optic. Each of the lenses as shown in figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, and 11 have the thinner portion of the haptic adjacent to the optic.